

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Figure 5 has been amended to provide English legends in place of the German legends, as shown on the replacement sheet attached hereto.

REMARKS:

5 The present Amendment makes editorial changes in the specification,
drawings and claims, and adds an Abstract, to conform the present PCT
application to the requirements of United States patent practice. The
cancellation of claims 1-16 in favor of the claims presented herein has been
undertaken solely because the amount of strikethroughs and underlining in
claims 1-16 that would have been necessary to conform those claims to the
requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph would have been unduly
burdensome and confusing. No difference in the claim language between
10 claims 1-16 and the claims presented herein has been made for the purpose
of distinguishing any claim over the teachings of the prior art of record.
Accordingly, no difference in the claim language is considered by the
Applicant as a surrender of any of the subject matter encompassed within the
scope of original claims 1-16.

15 Early consideration of the application on the merits is respectfully
requested.

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